

The Honorable Ricardo S. Martinez  
The Honorable S. Kate Vaughan

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT SEATTLE

CAROL STEPIEN,

Plaintiff,

v.

NATIONAL OCEANIC AND  
ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION, an  
Agency of the United States, and  
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE,

Defendants.

Case No. C21-1166-RSM-SKV

JOINT STIPULATION AND MOTION

Noted for Consideration:  
January 11, 2022

Plaintiff filed the above-captioned lawsuit under the Freedom of Information Act (“FOIA”), 5 USC § 552, against the Defendants seeking the disclosure of certain documents.

At this time, counsel for the parties are continuing to confer in good faith in an effort to discuss potential resolution of this action without motion practice. In order to provide the parties with additional time to continue these efforts, the parties jointly propose and agree that there is good cause to provide this Court with a status update on or before March 31, 2022, regarding the status of these efforts and/or propose a stipulated briefing schedule if Court resolution is needed.

1 IT IS SO STIPULATED, THROUGH PARTIES OF RECORD.

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3 DATED this 11th day of January, 2022.

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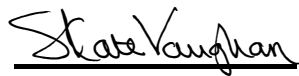
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15 **ORDER**

16 **IT IS SO ORDERED.**

17 Dated this 12th day of January, 2022.

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20 S. KATE VAUGHAN  
21 United States Magistrate Judge  
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